



## 2022 ROLAND GARROS

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### MEN'S DOUBLES SEMI-FINALS

[12] Marcelo Arevalo (ESA) / Jean-Julien Rojer (NED) vs  
[16] Rohan Bopanna (IND) / Matwe Middelkoop (NED)

First Meeting

**\*\* Either 40-year-old Rojer or 42-year-old Bopanna will be oldest Roland Garros men's doubles finalist in Open Era. \*\***

#### Oldest Roland Garros Men's Doubles Finalists

Daniel Nestor	2012	39 years, 9 months
Nicolas Mahut	2021	39 years, 4 months
Daniel Nestor	2011	38 years, 9 months
Bruno Soares	2020	38 years, 7 months
Dick Norman	2009	38 years, 3 months

NOTE: Both of the above lists are in Open Era (since 1968)

#### Oldest Grand Slam Men's Doubles Finalists

Daniel Nestor	2016 Australian Open	43 years, 5 months
Mike Bryan	2018 US Open	40 years, 4 months
Leander Paes	2013 US Open	40 years, 3 months
Mike Bryan	2018 Wimbledon	40 years, 2 months
Daniel Nestor	2012 Roland Garros	39 years, 9 months

NOTE: Jean-Julien Rojer is 40 years, 9 months old

**\*\* Bopanna, 42, and Middelkoop, 38, would be oldest team to reach a Grand Slam men's doubles final in Open Era. \*\***

#### Oldest Teams to Reach a Grand Slam Men's Doubles Final in Open Era (since 1968)

Daniel Nestor, 43, and Radek Stepanek, 37	2016 Australian Open	80 years, 7 months combined
Bob Bryan, 38, and Mike Bryan, 38	2017 Australian Open	77 years, 6 months combined
Bob Bryan, 38, and Mike Bryan, 38	2016 Roland Garros	76 years, 2 months combined
Jamie Murray, 35, and Bruno Soares, 39	2021 US Open	75 years, 2 months combined
Leander Paes, 40, and Radek Stepanek, 34	2013 US Open	75 years, 0 months combined

NOTE: Bopanna, 42 years and 3 months, and Middelkoop, 38 years and 9 months, are a combined 81 years, 0 months old

### MARCELO AREVALO / JEAN-JULIEN ROJER

#### Roland Garros Stats

- > Arevalo, 31, and Rojer, 40, are 22-11 as a team (22-10 in 2022), including 10-match win streak in February with Dallas title (d. Glasspool/Heliovaara), Delray Beach title (d. Nedovyesov/Qureshi) and Acapulco final (l. to F. Lopez/Tsitsipas).
- > Arevalo is 9-3 at Roland Garros in 5 appearances with 5 different partners, including Middelkoop. Arevalo/Middelkoop conceded walkover to Bopanna/Skugor in 2021 Roland Garros 3R.
- > Arevalo is playing in 1st Grand Slam men's doubles semi-final and bids to become 1st Grand Slam men's doubles finalist from Central America (Belize, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama).
- > Rojer is 27-13 at Roland Garros, also reaching SFs in 2012 w/Qureshi (l. to Bryan/Bryan) and 2015 w/Tecau (l. to Dodig/Melo). Beat Bopanna/Mergea in 2015 Roland Garros 3R and Arevalo/O'Mara in 2020 Roland Garros 2R w/Tecau.
- > Rojer is 2-6 in Grand Slam men's doubles semi-finals and 2-0 in finals (2015 Wimbledon and 2017 US Open w/Tecau).
- > Last Dutchman in Roland Garros men's doubles final was Haarhuis (1995, 1998, 2002 champion; 2000, 2003 finalist).

#### Marcelo Arevalo Career Highlights

- > Achieved doubles career-high No. 23 in May 2022 following strong start to season alongside Rojer, winning 10 straight matches en route to Dallas title, Delray Beach title and Acapulco final.
- > Also captured titles at 2018 Los Cabos w/Reyes-Varela and 2021 Winston-Salem w/Middelkoop.
- > Advanced to 1st Grand Slam men's doubles SF at 2022 Roland Garros w/Rojer after reaching Australian Open QFs in 2020 w/O'Mara and 2021 w/Middelkoop.
- > In mixed doubles debut, finished as 2021 US Open runner-up w/Olmos, becoming 1st men's or women's tennis player from Central America to compete in a Grand Slam final.
- > Played college tennis at University of Tulsa from 2010-11 and married Lucia Kovarcikova, a former Swiss player who competed at University of Utah from 2011-15.

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### **Jean-Julien Rojer Career Highlights**

- > Ended 2015 season at career-high No. 3 in doubles rankings and at No. 1 in team rankings w/Tecau.
- > Went 11-0 in London during 2015 season w/Tecau, capturing titles at Wimbledon and Nitto ATP Finals.
- > Also won 2017 US Open title w/Tecau and 2014 Roland Garros mixed doubles title w/Groenefeld.
- > Captured 20 of his 31 tour-level doubles championships w/Tecau, including ATP Masters 1000 Madrid titles in 2016 and 2019, as well as 8 titles on 4 different surfaces and continents in 2014.
- > Earned 400th win of his career over Bryan/Bryan in 2019 Washington QF w/Tecau.

## **ROHAN BOPANNA / MATWE MIDDELKOOP**

### **Roland Garros Stats**

- > Bopanna, 42, and Middelkoop, 38, are 9-4 as a team (6-3 in 2022), reaching 2020 Antwerp final (l. to Peers/Venus).
- > Saved 5 match points to defeat No. 2 seed Mektić/Pavić 6-7(5) 7-6(3) 7-6(12-10) in 2022 Roland Garros 3R.
- > Rallied from a set down and won a Match TB again in QF, defeating Glasspool/Heliövaara 4-6 6-4 7-6(10-3).
- > Bopanna is 23-14 at Roland Garros and was 0-4 in QFs until he and Middelkoop beat Glasspool/Heliövaara on Monday.
- > Bopanna is 1-3 in Grand Slam men's doubles semi-finals, reaching 2010 US Open final w/Qureshi (l. to Bryan/Bryan).
- > Bopanna hopes to become 1st Indian Grand Slam men's doubles finalist since 2013 US Open champion Paes and 1st Indian Roland Garros men's doubles finalist since Paes as well (1999, 2001, 2009 champion; 2010 finalist).
- > Middelkoop is in 1st Grand Slam men's doubles semi-final and owns 8-5 Roland Garros record with 6 different partners.
- > Like Rojer, Middelkoop bids to become 1st Dutchman in Roland Garros men's doubles final since Haarhuis in 2003.

### **Rohan Bopanna Career Highlights**

- > Achieved doubles career-high No. 3 in 2013 and earned 400th doubles win of career in 2021 (d. Albot/Basilashvili in Halle 1R w/Sharan).
- > Captured 21 tour-level doubles titles with 12 different partners, including ATP Masters 1000s at 2011 Paris w/Qureshi, 2012 Paris w/Bhupathi, 2015 Madrid w/Mergea and 2017 Monte Carlo w/Cuevas.
- > Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals in 2011 w/Qureshi, 2012 w/Bhupathi and 2015 w/Mergea, finishing as runner-up in 2012 and 2015.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 2010 US Open final w/Qureshi and received 2010 Arthur Ashe Humanitarian Award alongside Qureshi.
- > Won 2017 Roland Garros mixed doubles title w/Dabrowski and reached 2018 Australian Open mixed doubles final w/Babos.

### **Matwe Middelkoop Career Highlights**

- > Achieved doubles career-high No. 26 in February 2022 after winning biggest career title at Rotterdam ATP 500 event w/Haase.
- > Captured 12 titles with 6 different partners, including 4 titles with countryman Haase and 3 titles with countryman Koolhof.
- > Advanced to 1st Grand Slam men's doubles SF at 2022 Roland Garros w/Bopanna after reaching 2017 US Open QF w/Haase and 2021 Australian Open QF w/Arevalo.
- > Reached 1st Grand Slam mixed doubles SF at 2019 Wimbledon w/Yang after reaching 2018 Australian Open QF w/Larsson and 2018 Roland Garros QF w/Schuurs.
- > Lists win over Federer in 2015 Davis Cup doubles match as one of his greatest tennis memories (de Bakker/Middelkoop d. Chiudinelli/Federer 7-6 4-6 4-6 6-4 6-1).



## Ivan Dodig (CRO) / Austin Krajicek (USA) vs [4] Marcel Granollers (ESP) / Horacio Zeballos (ARG)

## First Meeting

### IVAN DODIG / AUSTIN KRAJICEK

#### Roland Garros Stats

- > Dodig, 37, and Krajicek, 31, are 11-4 as a team (8-3 in 2022) and on 8-match win streak including 2022 Lyon title.
- > Saved 5 match points to defeat No. 1 seed Ram/Salisbury 3-6 7-6(9) 7-6(12-10) in 2022 Roland Garros QF.
- > Also rallied from a set down and won a Match TB in 2R, defeating French wild card Doubbia/Reboul 4-6 6-4 7-6(10-6).
- > Dodig is 27-9 in men's doubles at Roland Garros, highlighted by 1st Grand Slam title in 2015 w/Melo (d. Bryan/Bryan).
- > Dodig and Granollers advanced to 2017 Roland Garros QF as a team (l. to eventual champion Harrison/Venus).
- > Dodig is 3-6 in Grand Slam men's doubles SFs, also reaching 2013 Wimbledon final w/Melo and 2021 Australian Open final w/Polasek.
- > Krajicek is 7-4 at Roland Garros and making 5th appearance with 5 different partners.

#### Ivan Dodig Career Highlights

- > Achieved career-high No. 4 in doubles after winning 2015 Roland Garros title w/Melo, then added 2021 Australian Open title w/Polasek.
- > Finished as Nitto ATP Finals runner-up in 2014 w/Melo and has qualified 7 times for year-end championships (2013-16 w/Melo, 2017 w/Granollers, 2019 & 2021 w/Polasek).
- > Winner of 17 tour-level doubles titles, including 4 ATP Masters 1000s w/Melo and 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati w/Polasek.
- > Also captured Grand Slam mixed doubles titles at 2018 Roland Garros, 2019 Roland Garros and 2019 Wimbledon w/L. Chan, as well as at 2022 Australian Open w/Mladenovic.
- > Peaked at No. 29 in singles, winning 2011 Zagreb title and defeating No. 2 Nadal at 2011 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal for biggest win of career.

#### Austin Krajicek Career Highlights

- > Achieved doubles career-high No. 33 in March 2022 and has played doubles exclusively since August 2018 after breaking into Top 100 of singles and achieving career-high No. 94 in October 2015.
- > Captured 5 ATP Tour doubles titles with 4 different partners, most recently 2022 Lyon w/Dodig.
- > Advanced to 1st Grand Slam men's doubles SF at 2022 Roland Garros w/Dodig after reaching 2018 US Open QF w/Sandgren.
- > In summer 2021, finished 4th at Tokyo Olympics w/Sandgren, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 final at Cincinnati w/Johnson and advanced to US Open mixed doubles SF w/Pegula.
- > Reached 2006 US Open boys' doubles final w/Jar. Jenkins, won 2008 USTA Boys' 18s National Championship in singles and was a 6-time All-American at Texas A&M University, ending amateur career as 2011 NCAA doubles champion w/Dadamo.

### MARCEL GRANOLLERS / HORACIO ZEBALLOS

#### Roland Garros Stats

- > Granollers, 36, and Zeballos, 37, are 77-34 as a team (14-8 in 2022).
- > Trying to reach 1st final of 2022, 3rd Grand Slam final and 11th final since joining forces in August 2019 (6-4).
- > Runners-up at 2019 US Open (l. to Cabal/Farah) and 2021 Wimbledon (l. to Mektic/Pavic).
- > Granollers is 26-14 at Roland Garros (7-2 w/Zeballos), highlighted by 1st Grand Slam final in 2014 w/M. Lopez (d. Bryan/Bryan in QF, l. to Benneteau/Roger-Vasselin).
- > Granollers is 4-5 in Grand Slam men's doubles semi-finals and 0-4 in Grand Slam finals.
- > Zeballos is 20-12 at Roland Garros (7-2 w/Granollers), also reaching 2013 SF w/Cuevas (l. to Llodra/Mahut).
- > Zeballos is 2-3 in Grand Slam men's doubles semi-finals and 0-2 in Grand Slam finals.
- > Zeballos hopes to become 2nd Argentine to reach Roland Garros men's doubles final in Open Era (Schwank in 2011).

### Marcel Granollers Career Highlights

- > Achieved singles career-high No. 19 in 2012 and doubles career-high No. 4 in 2013.
- > Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals w/M. Lopez in 2012-14, w/Dodig in 2017 and w/Zeballos in 2020-21, winning biggest doubles title of career in tournament debut.
- > Boasts 23 doubles championships, including 7 titles with 1st-time partners and 6 ATP Masters 1000 titles.
- > Grand Slam doubles runner-up at 2014 Roland Garros & 2014 US Open w/M. Lopez and 2019 US Open & 2021 Wimbledon w/Zeballos.
- > In singles, captured 4 ATP Tour titles, reached Grand Slam 4R on 4 occasions and advanced to 3 ATP Masters 1000 QFs, including 2013 Rome, where he beat No. 2 Murray for biggest win of career.

### Horacio Zeballos Career Highlights

- > Achieved career-high No. 3 in doubles after advancing to 1st Grand Slam final at 2019 US Open w/Granollers, then went on to reach 2021 Wimbledon final w/Granollers.
- > Also alongside Granollers, won 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal title in team debut and added ATP Masters 1000 titles at 2020 Rome, 2021 Madrid and 2021 Cincinnati.
- > Owns 18 doubles titles overall, including 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells w/Mektic in 2nd tournament as a team.
- > Qualified for 2020-21 Nitto ATP Finals w/Granollers and lost to eventual champion in SF both times.
- > Stopped playing singles in January 2019 after peaking at No. 39 and earning biggest career win over No. 5 Nadal to capture Vina del Mar title in 2013.

## MIXED DOUBLES FINAL

### Ulrikke Eikeri (NOR) / Joran Vliegen (BEL) vs [2] Ena Shibahara (JPN) / Wesley Koolhof (NED)

### First Meeting

#### About the Finalists

- > Both Eikeri/Vliegen and Shibahara/Koolhof are making their team debuts at 2022 Roland Garros.
- > All 4 players are seeking 1st Grand Slam title of their respective careers.
- > Eikeri/Vliegen rallied from a set down for 3 of their 4 wins at 2022 Roland Garros, including 1-6 7-6(4) [10-7] win over Melichar-Martinez/Krawietz in SF. Trailed in that match 6-1 5-2 and saved 1 match point.
- > Koolhof is 1 of 3 Dutchmen competing in men's or mixed doubles on Thursday, joining Rojer and Middelkoop.
- > Shibahara/Koolhof beat both Rojer and Middelkoop in mixed (d. Guarachi/Rojer in 1R, Schuurs/Middelkoop in 2R).

### Joran Vliegen Career Highlights

- > Broke into Top 100 of doubles in February 2018 and achieved career-high No. 28 in June 2021.
- > Captured 5 ATP Tour doubles titles – all at ATP 250 events alongside countryman Gille.
- > Reached Grand Slam QFs at 2019 Roland Garros w/Kukushkin and 2020 US Open w/Gille, as well as ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Madrid and 2021 Toronto w/Gille.
- > Advanced to 2022 Roland Garros mixed doubles final in team debut w/Eikeri.
- > Played college tennis at East Carolina University from 2011-14, where he earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in business and was named Conference USA Player of the Year as a senior.

### Wesley Koolhof Career Highlights

- > Ended 2020 at career-high No. 5 in doubles rankings after reaching US Open final and winning Nitto ATP Finals w/Mektic, becoming 1st team in history to win its 1st title together at year-end championships.
- > Joined forced w/N. Skupski in 2022 and new team leads ATP Tour this season in wins (35), finals (6) and titles (4).
- > Captured 1st ATP Masters 1000 title in 5th ATP Masters 1000 final of career at 2022 Madrid w/N. Skupski.
- > Advanced to 2022 Roland Garros mixed doubles final in team debut w/Shibahara.
- > Father, Jurrie, played for Dutch national football team in 1985 and mother, Monique, played for Dutch national field hockey team from 1983-87.